

GOSSIP OF THE RUNNERS.

BROOKLYN JOCKEY CLUB TO EXTEND ITS SPRING MEETING.

Undoubted Proof that Racing of Properly Conducted, is Still Profitable—A Look Backward at Last Week's Sport—The Programme for Gravesend This Week—The Platine Meeting—McClain's Charges Against the Baldwin Confederacy.

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The programme from the Breeder and Sportmen of San Francisco and Jockey Racing Federation of Chicago, certifies that the following were my orders in the fourth race, April 18, 1895, in which I had the mount on the horse Atalantis: Set off fast, pull to the outside, not push him on, let him go, do not strain him; if the judges question you, say the mare can't; said orders being given to me by William Brian, trainer for the Santa Anita Stable, who was after trainer for the Santa Anita Stable, manager of said stable, JOHN S. MCCLAIN.

FAST MILES AT FLEETWOOD.

The fact that the Brooklyn Jockey Club has determined to continue its spring meeting until the middle of June, and the Jockey Club's season at Sheepshead Bay on June 15, is a certain indication that racing and the horse system is a success at least so far as the larger and more prosperous tracks are concerned. Whether Saratoga, Brighton Beach, and Aqueduct can prosper under existing circumstances is open to conjecture, but under the new management at Brighton Beach and Aqueduct great things may be accomplished, while Saratoga's potent charms as a watering place may attract a larger number of people than ever before this season, particularly as it has been announced that President Kearney and his associates have determined to do everything in their power to make their meeting a success. It has been said that the gambling features of Saratoga in past years kept many reputable persons away from the Spa. There will be a chance to prove the falsehood or truth of this theory this season. Of course, the club will be closed this year, to the great regret of many, but the restaurant was by all odds the best in town.

While nothing definite has been decided upon, it is understood that the Brighton Beach management will race alternate days with Sheepshead Bay. It is a pity that this property is not in better shape, for with a new and slightly grand stand facing the ocean, neat stables and fences, and a general widening of the track, it could be made one of the handsomest courses in the country. Its proximity to the Atlantic would make it a delightful spot in warm weather. The present grand stand is old and uncomfortable, and when the breeze is from the sea very little of it reaches the people.

The racing at Gravesend last week was first-class, and appealed to turfmen of all classes. The most noteworthy performances of the week were those of Keenan, Counter Tenor, Applegate, Refugee, Axiom, and Patriotic. The close friend of John Hyland knew last season that the training school was puzzled by the performances of Keenan than those of any horse he had ever trained. Time after time he had been beaten with horses which he had not been trained for races which Hyland thought him capable of, and he said yesterday that if Keen would go along to the training school to take him to Europe he would be a good horse.

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Since the Crescent Athletic Club formally opened their country house at Bay Ridge the club is very popular among cycling members. Yesterday twenty-three members rode from Brooklyn to the country club house.

The Club Wheeledmen of Jersey City held a run to the Bronx Yacht Regatta yesterday.

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